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ent prominence.

Hans Richter was born in 1843—a little over halt a century age—in Raah, Hongary. By the demandity, a century age—in Raah, Hongary. By the demandity, and the second of the present and most brilliant musical geniuses the world has known. Accustomed from earliest infanço to musical agentiuses the world has known. Accustomed from earliest infanço to musical registration of the present of the properties of the promiser of the provided of the promiser. Already at a very early age young Richter promise and his talent was carefully fostered and encouraged by his father, to whose early tutelage has always blooked take with at almost reverence, when the good man died, and, thrown practically alone upon the world, the by began to search for some method of bread-winning. He finally Veinna, where he remained until a fifteen, the Vienna Conservatory accepted him as a pupil to the wilds department.

violin department.
To the study of this most fascinating of instru-ments young Kichter gave himself up completely completely and completely and completely and enthusiasm. His ambition was to secure for himself a place in the ranks of the eclebrated Im-perial Orchestr. v. Unfortunately for himself, how-ever, vacancies in the violinitse' row were few and far between, and he began to realize that, if he

great pot-musicum or Germany.

Wagner was then living in Switzerland, and it was in Lucerne that he entrusted to Richter the superintendence of the publication of "Die Meistersinger." The work attracted such attention that was made director of the chorus at Maniel. Later, he went to Paris and Brussels, and lu the lattice capital conducted on the opening night of "Johen-

Returning about 1870 to Lucerne, he there super-intended the publication of the master's "Ring des Nichelungen," and, the work once finished, went to Pesth as director of the National Theatre, thence later to Vienna, where in 1875 he was offered the baton at the Imperial Opera, a post of honor that he has held up to the present time

From the year 1876, however, dates Dr. Richter's Introduction to the musical world at large. It w is 1876 that, at Wagner's express desire, he conducted the first Bayreuth festival. His success was instantaneous, and to this day his name is indelibly associated with these great feasts of German music. London and the couthental capitals have all, at dif-

Foremost among the tilians of the orchestral platform to-day, says The Muscol. Age, stands Dr. Huns form to-day, says The Muscol. Age, stands Dr. Huns form to-day, says The Muscol. Age, stands Dr. Huns form to-day, says The Muscol. Age, stands Dr. Huns form to-day, says The Muscol. Age, stands Dr. Huns rector of this year's great Bayroth festival, it seems the same zeal that he had shown in the successive steps that have brought him into his present enimently fitting just at this time to cast a retressence of the stands of the same zeal that he had shown in the successive steps that have brought him into his present enimently fitting just at this time to cast a retressence of the successive steps that have brought him into his present enimently fitting just at this time to cast a retressence of the Austrian capital's greatest orchestra, and a century ago—in Raad, Hungary. By mationality, the tender, as well as by temperament, he may just the form that a century ago—in Raad, Hungary. By mationality, the form that the distribution of the great crosses, slowly but therefore, as well as by temperament, he may just in the companies of the form that the distribution of the great crosses, slowly but the stands of the great times, and the matical time to the great that he was a retreated in marry a Personal and a century ago—in Raad, Hungary. By mationality, the proposed of the family tree of the prediction of the pred turned to Paris in her re-entree in a new freation at the Opera Comigue, after a series of triumphs in Germany, Austria, and Seitzerland. That the of our musical celebrities in Europe is a fact as positive as it is true that she is a leaflet on one of the branches of the family tree of Daniel Bonne of Kerra and educated under the personal instruction of Charles Gound, Aubrios Fromas, Jules Massenet, M. Le Ruy, and Maurice Strokosh, who transcripted in the present distriction of the Cornel Mrs. Neither Amstrong into the present formed Mrs. Neither Amstrong into the present

Mme. Mclba.

Mlle. Nikita speaks and writes no less than seven Mile. Nikita sp-saks and writes no less than seven lagrunges; is an excellent poptrati painter, a tal-ented pianist, a regular contributor to the literary age, of the Present at Vismos L. She has never tasked champagme nor smoked a cigarette, has traveled all over Europe and the continent several times; and besides holding the title of court singer to the Duke of Saac Coburg-Cotha, she has been decorated by three kings, and awarded gold and silver medals by Goerman, French and Russian insti-

silver medals by Germani, French and Russian insti-tutions of learning, said to qual that of Mue-Her vocalization is also per large to the dramatic Micha, and in that which per lains to the dramatic has been been also been also been also been also de-targed to the per large transfer of the con-dertakes to interpret is accomplished so naturally that her personal individuality is lost in the idealism of her pottrayal."



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WAGNER ON CONDUCTING.

In his essay on conducting Wagner immediately strikes his cord of nature. He says, "A strange impression of discontent was made upon me in my carliest youth by the orchestral rendering of our

of the landstord is satisfied for the addissue, for the most part quite unlessed."

Then writing of the Leipzig Gewandhaus concerns a they existed in his youth, he says that those seems as they existed in his youth, he says that those were got through with smoothness and precision, but Beethrower. Ninth Symmhony, performed once a year, would not go at all. Wagner gives his reasons symhony, and made a planofort arrangement of it for two hands. Imagine my amazement to receive the most confused impressions from its performance at the Gewandhaus! Ay, to feel at last so disheard: the most confused impressions from its performance at the Gewandhaus! Ay, to feel at last so disheard: to me, that my later geninic delight in Mozart's in such mitter doubt. If had also been very instructive one, that my later geninic delight in Mozart's in sion to conduct them, and thus to follow my own rein gof the animation demanded by Mozart's con-

to be able to make it sing. And (as already said) that glorious orchestra really sang this symphony. tms occasion." The conductor "found the proper tempo, while diligently leading on his or chestra to grasp the symphony's melos. But a correct conception of the melodies alone can give the proper tempo; the two are invisible; one conditions the other."

Wagner substantiates his verd'et that classic inpointing out "that our conductors know holding of proper tempe, because of their understanding nothing about song." He had never met a German Kapellmeister or conductor who could really sing a melody, let his voice be good or bad. Music to them metody, tet his voice be good of bad. Music to them was au abstraction, a cross between syntax, arithmetic and gymnasties. Elsewhere Wagner admits that it is not easy to determine the proper tempo because "only through a knowledge of the correct rendering, in every respect, can that proper tempo

In more detail he further observes that "mani-In more detail no lutrier observes was manifestly, the correct speed for any piece of music can only be determined by the special character of its phrasing (sorteg); to determine the former, we must have come to terms with the latter, The requirements of the phrasing, whether it leaus chiefly to-

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THE INFLUENCE OF SOCIAL INTERCOURSE ON ART AND ARTISTS.

Some fifteen years ago, says E. Van Der Straeten in Music, I lived in the old town of Xanten on the lower Rhine, the reputed birthplace of Siegfried the Niebelungen hero. There I made the acquaintan ancient castle and lent a solemu majesty to the silvery waves of the Rhiue, which flowed below.

silvery waves of the Rilue, which flowed below. At such times up friend would tell me that nothing had so powerful and stimulating an effect upon his made mutual interchange of idea. My father used to relate how he met Devrient, Mantius (the great singer), Niemann Gern (the theatre director) and others there; how they vied with one another in brilliant conversation and sparksion to conduct them, and thus to follow my own free ing of the animation demanded by Mozart'scon, the properties of the

voices.

One evening a soirce was given at this hospitable house, and on that occasion Toy Hiller (now the house, and on that occasion Toy Hiller (now the who had just then come out as a talented young actress, recited Geibel's beautiful ballad of "The Page and the King's Daughter," Hiller improvised a melodramatic accompaniment. He pictured the situation with those rich harmonies for which Schupresent. In this case it was the snimated tone of a unmerous and sympathetic company that inspired the artist; yet, as a rule, the numerical extent of a company will rather counteract than strengthen this effect. Its elements are seldom sufficiently in minds dimly and naconsciously, but are thus called into life and caused to assume definite shape.

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KUHE'S RECOLLECTIONS OF CHOPIN.

The popular composer and arranger of piano music has just published his personal recollections of the great musicians he has known. Mr. Knhe is among the few people still alive who remember hearing Chopin play. The great composer gave a recital (in 1848) at Madame Sartoris', in Eaton Place. of the companies of the

the most perfect example of poetry in sound which over greeted my ears. Among other original compositions he played several studies and manufact positions he played several studies and manufact in the property of the prope

lowing year.

Our author has much that is interesting to say of Liszt. Of the great virtuose's taot a very good story is told. Ayoung pinist had been invited to we have a solid property of the solid property of the list when we have been a command. Liszt who was present was asked to play. Such a request was of course equal to a command. Liszt who was present was asked to play. Such a request was of course equal to a command. Liszt played with the such present was of course equal to a command. Liszt played with the such present playing, but supply such that the supply such that the supply such that the supply su from the weaving together of the two

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Clara Josephine Wieck Schumann, whose death occurred at Frankfort-on-the-Maine, was one of the greatest executantes of the pianoforte the world

has ver seen.

She was the daughter of Frederich Wieck, and was horn at Leipsic on the 18th of September, 1819, was horn at Leipsic on the 18th of September, 1819, of wonderful musical talont, which was developed by her father, himself a musician of vast learning and ability. In October, 1885, when in her minth and ability in October, 1885, when in her minth given by Miss Perthalter, and played with Emilie Guinold in Kalibrenner's four-head variations on the march from "Moses." Her remarkable talent at the time.

she made her first visit to Vienna, where she played with remarkable success. It was in 1896 that she because engaged to Robert Modernan, but with the because engaged to Robert Modernan, but with the because engaged to Robert Modernan, but with the because engaged to Robert Modernan, but were warried in 1840. For eighteen months after that event she remained in Liephes, performing related numbers by Mr. Alt the very manner included numbers by Mr. Alt a few she was a few she was a few she with the she was a few she with the she was a few she w

tion to ber.

She accompanied her husband on a trip to St. Petersburg in 1846, and in returning met Jenny Lind in Vienna, and the two great female artists appeared together at a concert in that cit. Then discussed the second of the second trial could be the second trial could be second to the second trial could be second trial trial to the second trial lin with her mother, but in 1863 removed to Baden Baden

Baden.
She again visited England in 1865 and 1867, and repeated these visits almost annually until 1883. repeated these visits almost annually until 1883. forter in the conservatory at Prankfort was offered to the rin in 1878, and she tanght there with notable results for a number of years. Her last professional appearance in England was made about ten years ago, when she was still in the fullest possession of

her extraordinary powers.

Clara Schumann's playing evinced remarkable
powers of technique and a most unusual originality

or interpretation.

Her repertory was very large, extending from Sear atti and Bach to Mendelssohn, Chopin and Brahms. Her finest sympathies, however, were always enlisted in the interpretation of the works of the husband to whom she was so entirely de-

The past season has been a hard one with music teachers, says the Musical Age, especially so for these humbler members of the craft who have not as yet gained a foothold and cannot as yet exact heavy

few months ago.

A recital was given by the students in composi-tion of E. R. Kroeger at the Conservatorium, 3631 Olive Str.-et, on the 30th ubt. The programme in-cluded numbers by Wm. D. Armstrong, F. Marion Ralston, E. A. Schubert, Georgie Towner Noble, Berenice Crumb, Agnes Higgins, Manie Nash, Alice Hellmics, Aman Thraner, Water W. Sockhoff and

Dr. William H. Pilcher, organist of the Second Baptist Church of this city, gave two piano recitals recently at Mt. Vernon, Ills., in which .e was ad-mirably assisted by his pupils. One of the features of the programmes was the "American Girls" March," by Kunkel, played as an octette and a duet.

A Grand Concert was given for the henefit of the cyclone sufferers at the Grand Opera House on the fin tilt by the faculty of the College of Music of Forest Park University, assisted by Mossrs. Charles Among the principal features were the piano duets Wm. Tell Overtore, by Melnotte, and "Pegasus Galop," by Schotte, physel by Mesrs. Charles Kunkel and E. R. Kroeger, and the phano solos "Dance of the Elves," by Kroeger, and "Spritte of the Wind."

At Strassberger's Conservatory of Music the graduation recital of Miss Juli Vogt was given on he 17th nit. Miss Vogt, who is the first graduate of the 18th Miss Vogt, who is the first graduate of Mary N. Berry, soprano, I. L. Schoev, 1st violin, Dr. J. P. Nemous, Sad violin, Louis Mayer, viola, P. G. Anton, alto, and Louis Corrath, pinnist. The splendid additione that gathered to hear Miss Vogt was accroted a special real, the character, Miss Vogt is a pupil of Louis Corrath, the well known planist and composer. She was literally showered with houghts. The diploma of the institution was presented by the director, Clemens Strassberger, the happiers and the school of the singular control of the strassberg with happiers and many control of the institution was presented by the director, Clemens Strassberger, the happiers manner.

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Le Guide Musical gives the following anecdote of Hans von Bulow; who conducted the orchestra at Saint Gell. In this orchestra there were two attracted much critical comment and appreciation with the many and the time.

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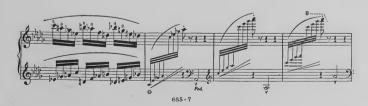




















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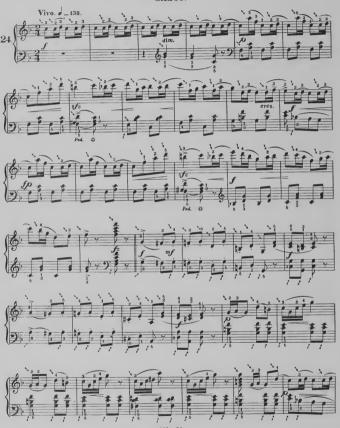


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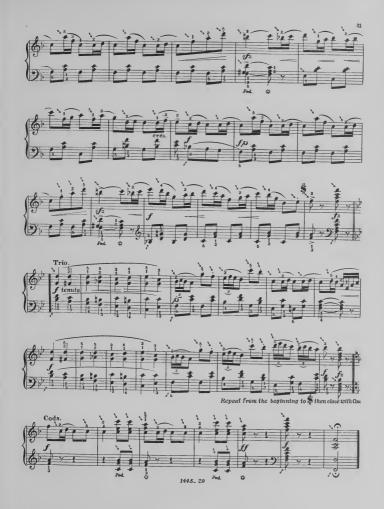




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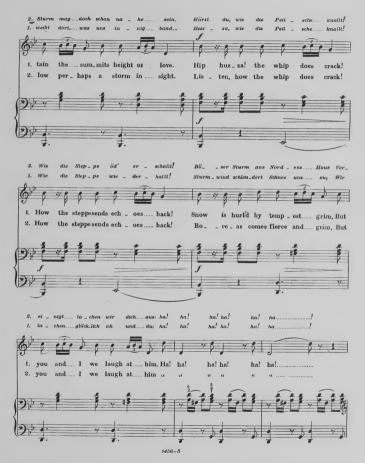
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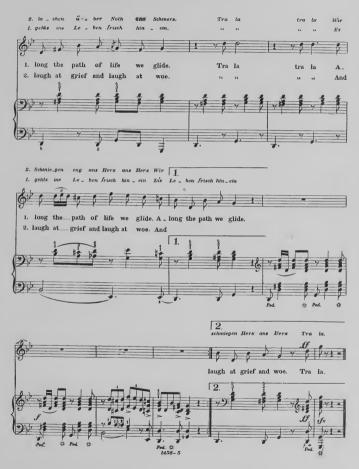
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Every class of solety, says the Mosted New Autority of the South Control Thinking only of to-day, it is heedless of to-norrow, and thus it is that so many eleven and highly gifted members of the profession fall, never to rise again, in that race of life in which they have started with in the properties of the profession fall, never to rise again, thing applies more or less to every walk. Of life, and thing applies more easy than to fall if one is indifferent to success, and every here. In fact, nothing is more easy than to fall if one is indifferent to success, and every here. In fact, nothing is more easy than to fall if one is indifferent to success, and every here. In fact, nothing is more easy than to fall if one is indifferent the success, and diegorathin of dependence retry, and the succession and diegorathin of dependence them ambition seems dead—If, indeed, it ever existed in them—and the love of indolence apparently shuts out completely every other consideration. Opportunity after opportunity is allowest withfully to slipp the proportunity to longer offers, and the chance length opportunity no longer offers, and the chance

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wards that he left like locking up his piano forever. He said "That old man, he makes me feel like a schoolboy!" In 1886 he paid a visit to England, schoolboy!" In 1886 he paid a visit to England, coldly received. Now no king could have been more feted; he played several times, but of course it was only the shadow of his real self; he had already only the shadow of his real self; he had already mouths later he passed pages fully away and town mouths later he passed pages fully away at the performances of his friend's masterpieces. Much gainst the will of the Weinza and Budapesti ansatist he will be the will be performance of the friend's masterpieces.

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ing eyes softened and the austere face relaxed into a lenigh smile rout simply felt.—wherever you were—that you must kneel at his feet and worship him. attraction. As whom you please that aver knew him, read what all his contemporaries have written about him, you will find them absolutely maximous. So the properties of the particular that the particular himself of the particular himself and own that this mast stood quite allow the ordinary ranks of humanity. He was a king, a monarch hyddiven right, and he bore kinnelf as such.

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M. Gabriel Faure, choirmaster of the church of La Madeleine, Paris, succeeds M. Dubois as per-former at the grand organ in that church. Saint-Saens occupied this post previous to M. Dubois.

A revival of Don Giovanni is talked of at the Paris Opera for next season, with Rose Caron and Berthet as Dona Anna and Elvira, and Renaud (Don Juan), Vagnet (Don Ottavio), Delmar (Lepo-rello), and Bartet (Masello).

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